


2014 Directory

Annual Report and Standing Rules

United Methodist Women

Louisiana Conference





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Greetings

On behalf of the UMW Leadership Team of the Louisiana Conference!

In this document, you will find the 2014 contact information for the

- Conference Leadership Team members,
- District Leadership Team members, and the
- Local Unit Presidents

You will also find the Conference and District calendars, the 2013 Conference Annual Reports, and the Standing Rules.

The primary obligation of the Conference Leadership Team is to work with the District and Local units to promote mission work, spiritual growth, missionary outreach, and Christian social action.

The Conference Leadership team hosts three yearly events, and everyone is invited to attend. This year's events are:

- 1. Social Action Event: February 8, 2014 in Lafayette**
- 2. Mission u: July 24-26, 2014 at the Wesley Center**
- 3. Annual Meeting and Hands-on Mission Activity: October 10-11, 2014 in Baton Rouge**

While the above are Conference planned events, each of the six Districts hosts similar events. Each District has its own one-day mini Mission u, and each District has its own Annual Meeting. The Conference level supports the Districts and their outreach to the local units, recognizing that the strength of United Methodist Women lies at the local level, through the mission work of each church's United Methodist Women.

The Conference Leadership Team consists of the elected officers and the six District Presidents. Our contact information follows. Please always feel welcome to contact us with your comments, concerns, and questions. Thank you for being a blessing to United Methodist Women.

Barbara Ferguson

UMW Louisiana Conference President

United Methodist Women Louisiana Conference 2014 Calendar

Conference Level Events

Social Action Event: Saturday, February 8, 2014
First United Methodist Church in Lafayette, LA

Mission u: Thursday, July 23– Saturday, July 26, 2014
Wesley Center in Woodworth, LA

Annual Meeting with Banquet and Hands-on Mission Activities:
Friday, October 10 – Saturday, October 11, 2014
First United Methodist Church in Baton Rouge, LA

Local and National Events

UMW Sunday: January 26, 2014 at local churches, or as otherwise scheduled
UMW Assembly: April 25-27, 2014 in Louisville, Kentucky

Conference Leadership Team Meetings

Friday, February 7, 2014

In Lafayette at 6 pm on the evening before the Social Action event.

Saturday, April 5, 2014

At the Wesley Center from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm.

Wednesday, July 23, 2014

At the Wesley Center on the evening before Mission u.

Friday October 10, 2014

In Baton Rouge at 10 am before the Annual Meeting.

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Acadiana 2014 District Calendar

January 15	District Leadership Team Meeting at Sager Brown
January 26	UMW Sunday
April 5	Day Apart Retreat at Bayou Blue UMC in Houma
April 5	District Leadership Team Meeting at Bayou Blue
August 16	Mini Mission u at Sager Brown
August 16	District Leadership Team meeting at Sager Brown
November 8	District Annual Meeting and LETL at St. Paul UMC in Jeanerette
November 8	District Leadership Team Meeting at St. Paul

Acadiana 2014 Local Unit Presidents

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Baton Rouge District

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Baton Rouge 2014 District Calendar

January 18	Leadership Team Meeting
April 19	Leadership Team Meeting
July 19	Leadership Team Meeting
August 2	Mini Mission u
October 18	Leadership Team Meeting
November 1	District Annual Meeting

Baton Rouge 2014 Local Unit Presidents

	Church	UMW President	Address	Phone#	E-Mail
1	Asbury	Joyce Thompson	4765 Old Liberty Rd. Clinton 70722	225-683-9275	
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Lake Charles 2014 District Calendar

January 19 Leadership Team Meeting at home of Anne Fields
 January 26 UMW Sunday
 February 8 Conference Social Action Retreat
 February 10 Treasurer's report to Robbie Dunham
 March 13 Mission Study: Roma at St. Luke Simpson
 April 5 Mission Study at Oakdale UMC
 April TBA Quiet Day Retreat for District
 May 10 Treasurer's Report to Robbie Dunham
 May 31 Deadline for application for Estelle Dameron Scholarship to Mission u
 June 14 District wide Petals and Pearls Tea at Moss Bluff UMC
 July Mission u at Louisiana Methodist Retreat Center at Woodworth
 August Deadline for nominations for Woman in Mission of the Year to Nancy McCulloch
 August 10 Treasurer's report to Robbie Dunham
 August District Mini Mission u at Squyres UMC at Ragley
 September 1-31 Election of local unit officers. Send list to Heater Bryson, Nancy McCulloch
 October 10-11 Conference Annual Meeting in Baton Rouge at First UMC
 October 25 Lake Charles District UMW Annual Meeting at Westlake UMC
 November 10 Treasurer's Report to Robbie Dunham
 December 31 UMW unit membership report: 1 copy each to MNO chair and local minister.

Lake Charles 2014 Local Unit Presidents

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34	Henning Memorial	Nancy Muery	3616 Colette Dr. Sulphur 70663	337-842-1114	nmuery@suddenlink.net
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Monroe District

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Monroe District Calendar

January 15	District Leadership Team Meeting
April 5	Spiritual Growth Retreat
June 8-11(or 9-12)	Trip to North Rampart St. Community Center
August 23	Mini Mission u
November 1	District Annual Meeting

Monroe Local Unit Presidents

	Church	UMW President	Address	Phone#	E-Mail
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6	Epps	Jessie Klett	PO Box 730 Epps 71237	318-926-5222	
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8	Mer Rouge	Dot Parker	PO Box 150 Mer Rouge 71261	318-647-3747	
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11	St. Paul's	Monica Cagle	317 Lakeside Dr. Monroe 71201	318-338-7949	
12	Douglas	Hilda Lee	706 Pleasant Grove Rd Choudrant 71227	318-768-2906	
13	Wesley Chapel	Jan Rose	181 McBride Ruston 71270	318-614-1843	janrose@latech.edu
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15	St. Andrew's	Barbara Mays	113 Bartholomew Sterlington 71280	318-381-0290	
16	First Tallulah	Bonnie McDaniel	120 Burnside Tallulah 71282	318-574-1905	
17	Claiborne, West Monroe	Mary Brown	211 Pine Circle West Monroe 71291	318-396-4419 318-355-6564	
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New Orleans 2014 District Calendar

January 11	Leadership Team Meeting	Trinity UMC in Buras
January 26	UMW Sunday	
March 8	Leadership Team Meeting	Thirkield UMC in Bogalusa
April 12	Spiritual Day Apart	Bethany UMC
May 3	Leadership Team Meeting	Asbury UMC
June 21	District Study	
July 12	Leadership Team Meeting	Thomas UMC in Kenner
August 16	Mini School	Aurora UMC in Gretna
September 13	Leadership Team Meeting	Hartzell UMC in New Orleans
October 25	District Annual Meeting/LELT	Fitzgerald UMC in Covington
December	Hands on Mission Project	TBA

New Orleans 2014 Local Unit Presidents

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3	Wesley Ray	Luella Jackson	PO Box 199 Angie 70426	985-986-2291	
4	Belle Chase	Donna J. Bowles	3107 Huey P. Long Ave. Gretna 70053	504-367-6479	
5	Harry's Chapel	Gloria Ishmann Hughes		985-750-3907	
6	Elizabeth S.M.	Freda Billings	1711 Gaylord Dr. Bogalusa 70427	985-732-9540	fredabillings@belsouth.net
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8	First UMC Covington	Kay Blaum	5 Riverbend Lane Covington 70433	985-892-4428	Marykay227@belsouth.net
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10	St. Charles	Gwen Keller	112 Thoroughbred LaPlace 70068	504-908-4073	Gkeller30@cox.net
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19	Thomas	Deborah Clayborne	441 Champs Elysees Kenner 70065	504-466-0069	daclaibol@aol.com
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21	First UMC Laplace	Janice Tomlinson	374 Oak Tree Drive LaPlace 70068	985-652-5964	
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Shreveport 2014 District Calendar

August 2 Mini Mission u
November 1 District Annual Meeting at First UMC, Natchitoches

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10	Doyline	Connie Smith	5697 Point Rd. Doyline 71023	318-745-3552	
11	Fairfield	Barbara Ardison	611 E. Washington Shreveport 71105	318-868-3126	
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2013 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE UMW LOUISIANA CONFERENCE

President's Report: Dr. Barbara Ferguson

The Annual Report is a compilation of reports. Some reports are written independently, while others are incorporated herein. During the 2013 year, the Louisiana Conference transitioned in accordance with the changes made by the National UMW. We amended our organization in accordance with the National UMW revised Constitutions and ByLaws.

The Annual Business Meeting of the UMW Louisiana Conference was held in Monroe, and the Agenda for this meeting, which includes those receiving awards and certificates, has been posted on our website. The attendees approved the 2014 Budget, which is enclosed, and the 2014 Leadership Team members. The contact information for the 2014 Leadership Team members is within this booklet.

Approved additions and changes made during the 2013 year include:

- Standing Rules were revised and adopted.
- An official conference-sponsored Social Action Event was approved. The Event will be held in years alternating with the Spiritual Growth Retreat.
- Rotation of the site for the Spiritual Growth Retreats and the Social Action Events began this year, and will continue, so that the distance traveled will not always be a far distance for the same people, hopefully, encouraging attendance of some who might not otherwise attend. The Mission u event will continue to be held at the Wesley Center.
- To encourage the inclusion of working women, college women and women with small children on the Leadership Team, the 2014 Calendar of Leadership Team meetings was scheduled so that one of the four meetings will be held on a Saturday rather than on a weekday.

Still Under Discussion Items Include:

- Revising the Certificate process to make applying for certificates simpler, and possibly, using one certificate to list several accomplishments.
- Restructuring the Elected Officer positions of the Leadership Team, as recommended by the National UMW, in order to incorporate more short term committees that would include District and Local Unit members.

In addition, the 2014 Leadership Team will continue to develop plans to fulfill our nationally mandated Function, which focuses on working "with the District and Local organizations to develop programs to meet the needs and interests of women and the concerns and responsibilities of the global Church; and to encourage and support spiritual growth, missionary outreach, and Christian social action."

The Leadership Team consists of Elected Officers and the District UMW Presidents. To know of the wonderful mission opportunities and of the outstanding work of the District and Local Units, please receive and read your District Newsletter. Not only are these posted on our website, but you can get a copy sent to you by your District President. We pray for you, and ask that you continue to pray for us.

Vice-President's Report: Sandy DeCelle

To begin my first year as Vice President, I had the awesome privilege of attending Leadership Development Days at beautiful Lake Junaluska, North Carolina. There were three days of worshiping, meeting and interacting with United Methodist Women from other conferences, as well as from Louisiana. I participated in small groups and attended workshops on Program Planning, Mentoring and Organizing for Growth, all led by National UMW staff members, including Harriett Jane Olson, General Secretary and CEO. Still in January, I participated in the first meeting to begin

planning the 2013 Annual Meeting at First UMC, Monroe, where we selected the theme "A New Beginning Together in Mission." Several Conference officers were present for that meeting.

In February, I met with the Annual Meeting task group and continued to meet with them monthly throughout the year because the meeting was to be held not only in my district, but in my home church. On February 22, I attended the Leadership Team Meeting in Baton Rouge.

On March 16 at the Wesley Center, I convened the gathering of three Conference committees, Nominations, Finance and Membership Nurture and Outreach and remained to meet with the Finance Committee. That same month I joined the Monroe District President in a meeting with a group of young women who wanted to start a UMW unit at the UMC in Rayville, Louisiana.

In April I attended the Monroe District Spring Retreat and also participated in UMW Sunday at First UMC, Monroe by delivering the Children's Sermon. On May 17 & 18 I attended the Leadership Team Meeting in New Orleans and also "after hours" the Standing Rules Committee.

On July 16, I met with the Leadership Team preceding Mission u, then coordinated the plenary entitled "The Personal," which required each participant to focus on her own relationship with God. In August, I participated in a UMW "Go To Training" on line and attended the Monroe District Mini Mission u.

September and October were busy months, as there were more meetings with individuals for local arrangements as well as task group meetings to finalize preparations for Annual Meeting. I also worked with the Conference President and District leaders to prepare the program. On October 10, I participated in the Leadership Team Meeting in Monroe and then the Annual Meeting the next two days. It was my responsibility to organize DELT as well as lead the Vice President's training.

On November 2, I spoke at the Monroe District Meeting on the theme "A New Beginning Together in Mission." I began by briefly mentioning where and how we started, and ended with where we are now and the new structure. The final Leadership Team Meeting was November 23 at the Wesley Center. This has been a busy year, a learning year and a rewarding year. I thank God that I can be a part of something as wonderful as UMW and for the opportunity to serve Him to the best of my ability.

Treasurer's Report: Georgie Lee Roberson

It has been a very interesting year, to say the least. I attended the Leadership Development Training in January at Late Junaluska S.C., a very beautiful place with awesome sunrises. I was disappointed in my treasurers training but the rest was fantastic, as I think the rest of the group would agree. My first executive meeting in February was quite a learning experience. I have never written so many checks in my life. That's how you learn, on the job experience. The Spiritual Growth Meeting was fantastic, the music, the preaching, and group participation all make for a very spiritual day. We had the first Finance Meeting in March at the Wesley Center. We were trying to get more realistic budget so we could meet our pledge as we haven't done in several years. We agreed that each District would take a good look at their past years and determined what they should be making as a pledge. This would not be easy as each remaining District would be getting new churches for 2014. We would finalize this in July at the next finance meeting. Then came Mission u (formerly School of Christian Mission), such a wonderful, uplifting and fellowship time together. And, yes, I wrote tons of checks. I love Mission u, as it is a time of greeting old friends and making new ones.

As most of you know I was sick most of August, in the hospital twice and had surgery on my Cyanide artery on the life side of my neck. It was over 80% blocked, I am slowly recovering so I apologize for any delay in getting pins orders done, and anything else I might have been slow in getting done.

The Annual Meeting in Monroe was a great success. It made all the meetings and work worthwhile. One of the highlights was, our Bishop Rev. Cynthia Harvey gave a very moving and inspirational talk, "If you want it done ask a Woman," so true, so true. I've attended all of the executive meetings throughout the year in spite of my sickness. I have a lot yet to learn in caring out the duties of treasurer and hopefully will do a better job in 2014. I ask for your prayers and support in the coming year.

2014 Proposed Budget: UMW Louisiana Conference

Pledge to Mission:	162,000
Administration and Development	<u>63,940</u>
Total	225,940

Administration and Development Itemized:

A. Travel Expense (Insurance, Lodging, Meals, Mileage)	10,000
B. Resources: Service Center Mailings (3)	105
C. District Administration and Development	15,260
D. Jurisdiction Administration and Development	2,025
E. Schools of Christian Mission	
1. West Gulf Regional: Mission U Training	7,000
2. Louisiana Conference: Mission u	14,000
F. Programs and events within Louisiana Conference	
1. Annual Meeting	4,000
2. District Elected Leadership Training	1,500
3. Retreat 2014 (Cumulative 2 years)	250
G. Attendance at Regional and National Events	
<i>(All below "cumulative 4 yrs." except #5)</i>	
1. Assembly 2014 (9,200 through 2014)	2,300
2. Jurisdiction Meeting (cumulative 4 yrs.)	1,500
3. National Seminar (cumulative 4 yrs.)	300
4. Young Women to SCJQM	200
5. Leadership Development Training	2,000
H. Operation Expenses	
1. Conference Directory	300
2. Printing and Bulk Mail (LA Now)	500
3. Postage	300
4. Office Supplies, Printer/Copier	400
5. Audit	1,200
6. Honors and Memorials	200
7. Dependent Care Subsidy	300
I. Church Women United	300
Total	63,940

District Administration and Membership Development (A&MD) Budgets for 2014

Note: Each local unit retains funds for their local A&MD budgets, and sends funds (known as a Pledge) to the UMW District level, which sends these funds to the UMW Conference level. Then the UMW Conference level sends a portion of that Pledge back to the District level for its budget, and forwards the remaining amount to the National UMW.

District	2014 Pledge	2014 Budget
Acadiana	16,000	2,055
Baton Rouge	40,000	2,600
Lake Charles	20,000	2,635
Monroe	18,000	1,470
New Orleans	28,000	3,125
Shreveport	40,000	3,375
Total	162,000	15,260

Membership, Nurture and Outreach Coordinator's Report: Ouida Smith

What an exciting year 2013 has been for our Louisiana Conference – UMW! There have been so many improvements to our organization, local, conference and national levels. We received our new Handbook 2013-2016 which included so many changes to our Constitution and Bylaws! It behooves each local unit to review this new publication and apply it to your unit according to your own needs and desires.

Our Conference has also reduced our Districts from seven to six, in line with the Conference churches. Most of our Alexandria units are now included with the Lake Charles District, with some units transferring to Shreveport, Monroe and Acadiana Districts. This stretches the boundaries from the Gulf to Central Louisiana for the Lake Charles District. All districts welcome their new sisters and extend a praying hand to each unit.

With our Estelle Dameron and Doretha Brown scholarship funds, we were able to sponsor 5 first-timers and 1 first time youth to Mission u. I thank each unit in your giving to these funds, as it is a wonderful opportunity to encourage new women to participate in our activities. Jeanette McCalman received the "Woman in Mission of the Year" award at our Annual Meeting in Monroe. What a blessing she has been to our United Methodist Women over the years. Jeanette has a wealth of knowledge of our organization and is always willing to help in any way she can. "Just call Jeanette – she will know the answer!"

Margery Manuel, Lafayette, will serve the next two years (2014-2015) as our Conference Membership, Nurture and Outreach Coordinator. Margery comes with a vast experience in UMW, most recently as President of the Acadiana District. Please welcome her as Coordinator in this capacity.

Education and Interpretation Coordinator's Report: Myrna Freeman

Attendance at Mission u was slightly up this year. That's a good thing, Debbie and Anita did a great job and most people embraced the changes. Study leadership was great! We all need to support attendance for this rewarding learning experience.

In August I attended the Lake Charles Mini Mission School which was well presented and attended. I'm afraid a host of health problems this year have cut into my attendance and speaking time in other districts. August was filled with gathering the mission study reports and typing the certificates as usual. At this time of year I am always reminded of how much work the district E&Is put into this task and how grateful I am for that work. I was somewhat surprised that we had a small amount of growth since we had accomplished so much growth in the last 3 years. I always enjoy reading the diverse reports of what units are doing, especially the outreach following a study. Some of them are really unique.

Hopefully you got your 31-derful Ways Calendars out before this annual meeting and units are using it in preparation for their World Thank Offering. Georgie Lee had been working hard to clear up the bottle -neck surrounding the Honorary Mission pins. Please don't let past difficulties interfere with that important mission outreach.

There is a sweet sadness for me at this annual meeting as it will be the last meeting I will attend as a conference officer. Being on the Conference Team has been an exciting, learning, fulfilling experience for me and I thank you for the opportunity.

Communication Coordinator's Report: Anita Hansberry

One of my goals for this year was to continue the efforts to disseminate information throughout the conference by electronic newsletter and to update the information on our United Methodist Women's website. In reviewing the communication goals for this year, I feel the majority of the goals have been achieved, and the communication process is still a work in progress.

Currently, United Methodist Women members can access the following:

- Information related to the purpose, mission and goals of United Methodist Women
- LA Conference Executive Team/ Leadership Team
- Current and past issues of the Louisiana Now (LA Now) with the UMW inserts which appear on a quarterly basis
- Regular UMW forms and information related to specific events (e.g. Mission u and Annual Mtg)

The following information can be used to access the website:

1. Go to www.la-umc.org [Louisiana Conference United Methodist Church website]
2. Click on ministries
3. Click on laity
4. Click on UMW there you will find the United Methodist Women's homepage and the following links will appear on the right side of the screen.
 - United Methodist Women
 - UMW Executive Team, UMW Forms and Links , UMW Guidelines and Goals
 - UMW Newspaper (LA Now insert and Articles)
 - LA Conference President's Monthly Newsletter
 - South-central Jurisdiction Newsletter
 - Currently there is a link for the various District Newsletters [e.g. Alexandria, Baton Rouge, and Monroe] Note: this is a work in progress. I hope to have all of the Districts on this site so that information can be shared.
 - A mass email data base has been created for each district and their local units according to the information in the 2013 Directory [N=179]. Of the 179, 29 were no longer active.

Social Action Report: Laura Salguero

I am presently completing my third year as your LA UMW Social Action Coordinator. Our social action priorities for 2013 were poverty, immigration, domestic violence, and human trafficking. I tried to pass on pertinent information related to these issues by email, Social Action Table at Mission u, etc. At our November 2013 meeting of the Leadership Team, we voted to continue to focus on these same priority issues for 2014. Of course, units are welcome to work on other social issues as they feel led.

In January 2013 we focused on human trafficking. This was because the Super Bowl was held in New Orleans, and major sporting events are known to be associated with a significant increase in the incidence of human trafficking. I went to New Orleans to work with the Leadership Conference of Women Religious (LCWR) to send information to New Orleans hotels on how to detect and react to human trafficking. Also, units in the Baton Rouge and Acadiana Districts used signs and banners to participate in the official UMW Intercept the Traffickers Campaign along the major highways. I would like to express my thanks to Myrna Freeman for making an excellent banner for this campaign and also to Edna Hickman and Margery Manuel for organizing the demonstrations in their communities.

Many LA units completed the Immigration Study in 2013, and each unit who did the study was required to have an outreach from the study in order to receive credit for the study from the E&I Coordinator. In reviewing the Social

Action Reports in September, there seemed to be an increase in activities related to immigrants. I'm also happy to say that our LA UMW Leadership Team voted to sign on to the national UMC position statement on immigration reform.

Eighty-nine (89) units were awarded Social Action Certificates at our LA UMW Annual Meeting in September (approximately the same as last year). At the request of our President in response to comments received on the evaluations for the last annual meeting, I did a summary of activities listed on the 2013 Social Action Reports in order to give units more ideas for future activities. I am very impressed by all the activities in which our units are involved. Work with feeding programs, clothes closets, and domestic violence shelters continue to be very common activities. Several unique activities were listed as well.

I am also pleased that there seems to be an increase in actual advocacy/justice work. I am happy to report that the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) and the Trafficking Victims Protection Act (TVPA) were finally passed by Congress in early 2013. These were things we advocated for in the past.

In August, the Leadership Team voted to hold a Social Action Event on Poverty. It is to be held on February 8 at FUMC Lafayette and will focus on root causes and long-term solutions. We also voted to have a Social Action Event every other year (to alternate with the Spiritual Growth Retreat). The event in 2014 will be co-sponsored by LA Board of Church and Society with help from LA UMM and COSROW.

Monroe District President's Report: Jane Ellett

The Monroe District had a wonderful year. In the spring, we had a Spiritual Retreat, led by Rev. Joann Cooper. What a blessing that was. Rev. Cooper is a gifted teacher, who makes you feel good about where you are in your spiritual journey, but encourages you to continue to grow in faith. And, Janet Dawson, Spiritual Growth Coordinator, did all the work, all I did was get the blessing of being there. Many thanks to the new unit, "Ladies of Grace" of FUMC, West Monroe for hosting this event.

We continued with wonderful programs, and a talk by Rev. Ellen Blue on her book *St. Mark's and the Social Gospel*. She told the amazing story of this mission and its outreach to the immigrants to New Orleans from seven countries. As amazing as this work by Methodist Deaconesses was, it was also amazing that Rev. Blue had to get most of her information from the Deaconesses who worked there, or the women of New Orleans who supported them and their work, the memories of their children, or the letters that they received. Most of the written records kept by the early workers, were deemed unimportant and destroyed. Many thanks to St. Paul's UMW for hosting this event.

The Conference Mission u (we all wonder why the u is lower case, and why it is not still School of Christian Mission) was a wonderful event. Rev. Frances Hooten gave me many new insights, many things I had not thought about – the spiritual forces of wickedness??? Do we "take" communion, or "receive" communion? The ROMA study was most interesting. How did they get from India to Eastern Europe? I hope you will try to go at least once to the Conference Mission u.

Of course, our E & I Coordinator, Regina Wilson did a great job with a District Mini-Mission u. And, again I was blessed that Regina took care of everything. Have you thought about all the planning that goes into these events? We need a place to hold the meeting, a pianist, song leader, a speaker or speakers, information to you about the event, name tags, registrations, refreshments, and Program Resources so you will have materials to take home with you.

Our 2013 District Annual Meeting was a meeting to recognize all that our members and units have done to fulfill the UMW Purpose this past year. My prayer, is that each of you will be at all of our District and Conference events next year. While each of us has a "creative, supportive fellowship" in our own unit, you meet and learn from the trials and triumphs of so many other United Methodist Women when you attend these other events. So I encourage you to participate fully in your local UMW units and circles. But I also encourage you to expand your circle of Christian

friends by coming to District and Conference events. Our theme for the next year is, "A New Beginning Together in Mission." Don't you want a New Beginning? I know you think mission is important. Let's multiply our mission by being in mission with the other 799,999 members of United Methodist Women!!

Lake Charles District President's Report: Anne Fields

The 2013 year in UMW began with a challenge: the incorporation of 16 UMW units from the Alexandria district. With the help of the conference MNO chairperson Ouida Smith, we were able to determine which units came into the Lake Charles district and the number of members within those units.

In January, UMW Sunday was celebrated throughout the district with a variety of speakers and activities. Also in January, a training session for unit presidents was held at Moss Bluff UMC. The District Mission Team helped with much useful information. One president of long standing said it was the first time she had learned anything. A great way to begin the year in UMW!

In the spring there were two mission studies and a Quiet Day Retreat. All were well attended and speakers were very informative.

In June a Hats and Gloves: Petals and Pearls Tea was held at Moss Bluff UMW. Not rain nor humidity nor heat could dampen the spirits of the faithful who came. This tea honored and recognized the members from the former Alexandria district. Conference president Barbara Ferguson enlightened the group with happenings from the conference.

I was unable to attend Mission U, but did attend all other conference functions and the annual meeting. District Mission Team meetings were held in my home in an informal setting and so much work was accomplished. What a great team of UMW ladies I had to help accomplish the goals of the district. The results of the team's hard work was seen at the Louisiana Conference Annual Meeting in Monroe. Lake Charles received more certificates this year than in the past.

The Lake Charles district Annual Meeting was a huge success. Vinton UMW ladies provided a wonderful welcome and surprised the group with a luncheon. The business portion was kept to under two hours thus providing a time for lunch and fellowship.

Although there were many challenges in 2013 in my first year as president of the Lake Charles District, I faced them with a smile! I corresponded with the entire District via phone calls, emails, notes and a District newsletter. I enjoyed meeting and getting to know the presidents and other members of the District. Thanks to the Mission Team for a "job well done"!

Shreveport President's District Report: Loretta Haskins

The Shreveport District had a very exciting year. We added 3 units: Many, Asbury-Nachitoches and First Natchitoches, from the Alexandria District. Mooringsport reactivated their unit. We grew not only in mileage size this year but also in attendance and activities. We have held several events at churches that do not have a unit to show them our "Mission" to the members and the community. We have had more "cluster" (joint unit) mission studies this year and working on more diverse "clusters" for 2014. Our social action reports and reading program reports have also doubled.

United Methodist Women: Louisiana Conference STANDING RULES

(Revised and Adopted: October 10, 2013)

The United Methodist Women (UMW) of the Louisiana Conference shall function in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws.

These Standing Rules are supplementary to the Constitution and Bylaws. Every unit shall own one copy of the Constitution and Bylaws. It is recommended that every elected officer have a copy of the Constitution and Bylaws to be passed along to the succeeding officers. Contents of the Constitution and Bylaws will not be repeated in the Standing Rules.

United Methodist Women in the Local Unit

1. A new unit may be officially reported when a quarterly report has been sent by the treasurer of the new unit to the district treasurer.
2. Support for projects which are the financial responsibility of the church-at-large should be as individual members of the church rather than through the treasuries of UMW.
3. Local units shall be represented at the Conference Annual Meeting on the basis of one delegate, for each one hundred (100) members, or a major fraction thereof, provided every unit, regardless of size, shall be entitled to at least one delegate.
Members of each unit shall be determined according to the current report to the Coordinator for Membership, Nurture and Outreach, unless corrections are given to her sixty (60) days in advance of the annual meeting.
4. Local units shall be represented at the District Annual meeting on the basis of one delegate for each twenty-five (25) members, or major fraction thereof, provided each unit, regardless of size shall be entitled to at least one delegate.
5. Elections shall be held in September, and those elected shall assume their duties on January 1st of the following year. The time between the election of officers and the assumption of their duties shall be a time of training during which the newly elected officers will work with the retiring officers.
6. In the event of the death of the treasurer of the Local unit, or the inability of the treasurer to discharge the duties of that office, the president of the unit shall be authorized and empowered by the Leadership Team to draw and sign checks on behalf of the unit.

United Methodist Women in the District

1. District Elections shall take place annually.
2. Those elected assume their duties on January 1st following the election. The time between the election officers and the assumption of their duties shall be a time of training during which the newly elected officers will work with the retiring officers.
3. Thirty (30) days before the annual meeting of the District organization, each Local unit shall be sent information for the meeting and the list of nominees for elected leadership in the District organization.
4. Local units shall be represented at the District Annual Meeting on the basis of one delegate for each twenty-five (25) members, or major fraction thereof, provided every unit, regardless of size, shall be entitled to at least one delegate.
5. The voting membership at the District Annual Meeting shall be the delegates from the local units and members of the District Leadership Team.
6. Subdistricts
 - a. A District may be divided into subdistricts to facilitate the work of the UMW within the District. A subdistrict leader shall be elected as part of the District elected leadership.

- b. If a subdistrict meeting is held, the District Leadership Team will assist the subdistrict leader in determining program emphasis for the meeting.
- c. If an offering is taken at a subdistrict meeting, expenses, excluding refreshments and/or flowers may be deducted before remittance is made to the District treasurer.
- d. The duties of the subdistrict leader shall be to:
 - i. Maintain contact, both personally and other ways of communication, with the units in her subdistrict.
 - ii. Publicize all activities of the district.
 - iii. Assist in organizing new units, in reactivating units which have ceased to function, and in assisting units where help is needed.
 - iv. Preside over any subdistrict meetings which may be held.
- 7. In the event of the death of the treasurer of the District organization, or the inability of the treasurer to discharge the duties of that office, the District President shall be authorized and empowered by the District Leadership Team to draw and sign checks.
- 8. The District Committee on Program may work with the Local Program Committee in the development of programs and activities which are integral to the Purpose.

United Methodist Women in the Conference

I. Funds

- 1. United Methodist Women shall support projects which are the financial responsibility of the church-at-large as individual members rather than through the treasuries of the organized units of United Methodist Women.
- 2. Expenses for all members attending any authorized meeting of a standing committee or task group shall be paid by the Conference, unless expenses are otherwise provided.
- 3. Expenses
 - a. Members of the Conference Leadership Team shall receive expenses for attendance at meetings of that committee, and the annual meeting of the Conference organization according guidelines recommended by the Finance Committee.
 - b. Each officer shall receive expenses for promoting the work of her office.
 - c. The Finance Committee will determine the compensation (reimbursements) and recommend this to the Leadership Team for approval. All expense vouchers shall include itemized listings with receipts for expenses (postage, duplicating, lodging, meals, etc.) for which payment is requested. Vouchers shall be approved and signed by the President and Secretary.
 - d. Duplicating letters or other materials in quantity shall be done, after investigation, at the least expense appropriate to the purpose for which the materials are to be used.
- 4. The Conference organization may set aside an amount for administration and membership development expenses of the Conference; a contribution to the Jurisdiction fund for administration and membership development; for remittances to the Districts for administration and membership development; and for Church Women United. The exact amount of the fund to be set aside shall be decided annually by the Leadership Team on recommendation from the finance committee.
- 5. At the end of the calendar year, the District treasurer must account to the Conference treasurer for the use of administration and membership development funds received, and the balance on hand. Each District shall be allowed to retain a portion of their administration and membership development funds as an advance toward the next year's budget. Any amount in excess shall be returned to the Conference treasurer clearly marked as unused administration and membership development funds.
- 6. Funds for Conference officers' attendance to Assembly shall be determined by the Finance Committee and approved by the Leadership Team. Those funds shall be sent to each officer attending assembly at the appropriate time. If the officer does not attend assembly, funds shall be returned to the Conference treasurer.
- 7. Each district shall be allowed monies for sending representatives to Assembly. Funds are to be determined by the Finance Committee and held by the Conference Treasurer with other accumulating funds and sent to each

District at the appropriate time. Representation shall be determined by the District Leadership Team. If no representative from the District attends, funds shall be returned to the Conference Treasurer.

II. Committees

1. The persons listed in the 2009-12 Constitution and Bylaws shall be members of the Leadership Team.
 - a. In addition, the following persons shall be members of the Conference Leadership Team: the historian, editor, chairpersons of standing committees; and the spouse of the Bishop, (who shall be an honorary vice-president).
2. Chairpersons of task groups shall be members of the Program Committee.
3. Each standing committee and task group shall be allowed one meeting a year, in addition to those meetings which can be held in conjunction with a larger group meeting, such as the Leadership Team.

If a committee or task group needs more than one additional meeting (as described above), the meeting shall be approved by the Leadership Team.
4. The Conference Committee on Membership shall include those persons listed in the 2009-2012 Constitution and Bylaws and, in addition, the chairpersons of the six District Committees on Membership.
5. Conference Committee on Nominations
 - a. Conference Committee on Nominations shall be composed of six persons, including the chairperson.
 - b. The chairperson shall be elected by the Conference organization for a term of two years during her four year term.
 - c. A person filling an unexpired term on the Committee on Nominations shall rotate off the committee with the class of her predecessor, regardless of length of time served.
 - d. In addition to functions listed in the Constitution and Bylaws, the Conference Committee on Nominations shall keep an accurate and up-to-date file on prospective elected leaders. The file should include, as a minimum, qualifications and skills of each person in the file; offices (if any) previously held, especially in the District and /or Conference organizations, length of time served, tenure used and tenure remaining.
 - e. Persons elected to the Committee on Nominations shall attend
 - i. Leadership Training Event within the calendar year elected, at national expense
 - ii. Mid-year leadership team meeting at Conference expense.
 - f. The committee shall meet semi-annually, as well as on call of the chairperson. A member missing two committee meetings in a year, without having been excused by the chairperson, shall be notified by the chairperson that she will be replaced on the committee.
6. There shall be a Committee on Standing Rules and Guidelines for a two year term composed of five persons who shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Leadership Team. The President shall name the chairperson. The President shall serve as an ex-officio member. The functions of the committee shall be to:
 - a. Review and edit the standing rules and recommend amendments in keeping with new legislation and terminology adopted by National and in keeping with conference needs, and draft statements on standing rules changes referred to it by the Leadership Team.
 - b. Interpret, upon request, the meaning and intent of bylaws and standing rules.
 - c. Prepare copies of proposed amendments to the standing rules for distribution to the annual meeting. Provide a copy of the approved amendments to the secretary for inclusion in the records of the Conference organization. Draft resolutions which may be referred to the committee, in the interest of facilitating the work of the Conference organization
 - d. Review all guidelines and make recommendations to the Conference Leadership Team.
7. There shall be a committee on the Annual Report and Directory, composed of the secretary, who serves as chairperson, the President, and the treasurer.
8. The committee shall edit and publish the Annual Report and Directory, as determined by the Leadership Team.
9. Other persons needed to facilitate the work of the committee may be appointed by the President in consultation with the secretary.

10. There shall be a Committee on the place of the Annual Meeting composed of three persons whose chairperson shall be a Conference officer. The President shall appoint the members of the committee and name the chairperson
11. Annual meetings shall be held in districts using the following rotation plan:

Alexandria	2010
Shreveport	2011
Acadiana	2012
Monroe	2013
Baton Rouge	2014
Lake Charles	2015
New Orleans	2016
Shreveport	2017
12. The committee shall select a suitable place within the designated district and report the availability one year in advance which is approved at the midyear meeting of the leadership team.
13. A formal invitation is presented by the local President at the Conference annual meeting one year in advance.
14. Traditionally, the annual meeting is held on the 2nd weekend in October.

III. Elections

1. Elections shall take place annually at the Annual Meeting of the conference organization. Officers shall be elected for a two year term. There shall be opportunity for nominations from the floor by a duly registered delegate. When nominations from the floor occur, the election must be postponed until later in the meeting to allow time for the Committee on Nominations to confer with the nominee. Elections for other officers may proceed or be postponed until all offices are voted on. It is the responsibility of the Committee on Nominations to verify the tenure eligibility of the nominee. The election should not proceed until this is done and the job description has been reviewed with the nominee. If the nominee is not present, the committee should verify that this has been done.
2. Elections shall be by ballot, except when there is only one nominee for an office the election may be by voice vote. A majority vote shall constitute election.
3. Those elected shall assume their duties on January 1st following the election. The time between the election of officers and the assumption of their duties shall be a time of training during which the newly elected officers will work with the retiring officers.
4. Officers elected at annual meeting held in the fall of an odd numbered year, to begin serving in an even numbered year are: Vice President, Treasurer, Coordinators for Spiritual Growth and Social Action, and Chairperson of Committee on Nominations.

IV. Mission U

1. The Dean and Assistant Dean shall be elected for two years at a Mission u planning meeting by and from the current committee. They shall attend training provided by National. A new Assistant Dean shall be elected each year. The Assistant Dean shall serve as Dean in the second year of her term.
2. The Conference Treasurer shall be the registrar with her designee, approved by the Leadership Team to work closely with her. The designee shall be appointed to serve for one year for Conference events, such as the Mission u, Annual Meeting, etc. The treasurer and her designee shall be bonded as required by United Methodist Women.
3. All Conference elected leaders, Conference and Mission u appointed leaders, District Presidents and District treasurers are expected to attend Mission u at Conference expense.
4. A subsidy to be determine by the Committee on Finance shall be paid for: each District Vice President, Secretary, the four Mission Coordinators, Program Resources Secretary, Chair of Committee on Nominations and Communications Coordinator who fully participate in Mission u.

5. The Conference Membership, Nurture and Outreach Coordinator shall determine the winner of the attendance banner/ certificate, which shall be awarded on the count of highest district attendance.
6. A significant amount, determined by the Committee on Finance, shall be allowed annually for the purchase of audiovisual resources pertinent to the current studies and mission emphases. These material shall be selected by the Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation in consultation with the Dean of Mission u and shall be placed in the audio-visual library of the Conference Council on Ministries for use throughout Mission u.
7. Mission u Leadership Training
 - a. The pattern of attendance includes the Dean and Assistant Dean and Conference Study Group Leaders who attend as partial satisfaction of certification requirements.

V. Annual meeting

1. Each local unit shall receive registration forms, the list of nominees for elected leadership and any major changes recommended in Standing Rules thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting.
2. Representation
 - a. Local units shall be represented at the annual meeting of the Conference organization on the basis of one delegate for each one hundred members or major fraction thereof, provided every unit, regardless of size, shall be entitled to at least one delegate.
3. The voting membership at an annual meeting shall be composed of the following persons: members of the Leadership Team, Delegates from the local units, District elected officers, spouse of the resident bishop, and Presidents of all predecessor organizations.
4. The Committee on Program shall recommend to the Leadership Team, at the time of Mission u, the chairperson for the Task Group on Annual Meeting Program for the ensuing year.

VI. District Elected Leaders Training

1. There shall be a Conference-wide training event with Conference leadership training district counterparts.
2. Outgoing/ Retiring Conference officers shall conduct DELT training and may be assisted by the newly elected Conference officers. This event shall be funded by the Conference.

VII. Leadership

1. There shall be a Conference Historian to be appointed by the President on a two year basis and confirmed by the Executive Committee.
2. Treasurer
 - a. The time between the election of the treasurer and the assumption of her duties shall be a time of training in which she shall work with the retiring treasurer, especially in preparing the fourth quarterly report. The treasurer-elect shall attend all Finance and Leadership Team meetings and training events occurring during the interim period.
 - b. In the event of the death of the treasurer of the Conference organization or the disability of the treasurer to the extent that she is unable to discharge the duties of that office, the President of the Conference organization shall be authorized and empowered to draw and sign checks and maintain the records on behalf of said organization until such time as an interim treasurer is appointed.
3. The Communications Coordinator shall serve as editor of the Conference Newsletter.
 - a. In the event the Communications Coordinator is unable to serve as editor of the Conference Newsletter, an editor shall be appointed by the Conference President on two year basis, approved by the Leadership team
 - b. The duties of the editor shall be:
 - i. To edit the Conference newsletter in consultation with the Communications Coordinator.
 - ii. To serve as liaison person with the printer and be responsible for having the paper sent to all designated persons.
 - iii. If the editor is not the Communications Coordinator, she shall serve on the Leadership Team.

VIII. Special Mission Recognitions, Gifts, Memorials

1. When women from the Louisiana Conference are ordained as deacons in the Annual Conference, they shall be honored with a forty dollar (\$40) Special Mission Recognition pin. When women from the Louisiana Conference are commissioned as long or short-term missionaries or as a deaconess, by the General Board of Global Ministries, they shall be honored with a forty dollar (\$40) Special Mission Recognition Pin.
2. Retired missionaries and deaconesses residing within the Conference may attend Annual Meeting and Mission u at Conference expense, which includes housing and travel according to expense guidelines. Each one is to send in his/her own registration forms and pay his/her registration fee. These persons should be on the Conference mailing list and receive additional communication regarding these meetings from the Conference Mission Coordinator for Education and Interpretation.
3. Each year the President may select, in consultation with the Leadership Team, a person to be the recipient of a one hundred doll (\$100) Special Mission Recognition pin, which will be presented at the Annual Conference.
4. Upon election, women from Louisiana Conference who serve as a Director of Women's Division or an officer of the South Central Jurisdiction UMW shall be honored at Annual Meeting with a Gift to Mission.
5. When death occurs among members of the Leadership Team, or a former Conference President, a Gift in Memory of fifty dollars (\$50) shall be sent to United Methodist Women. When death occurs to members of their immediate families, or to relatives living in their homes, a Gift in Memory of twenty –five dollars (\$25) will be sent as a memorial.

IX. Nominating Procedures

1. Each quadrennial, at the invitation of National UMW. A representative of the Conference UMW will be granted the opportunity to attend one meeting of National at National's expense. Election of this representative shall be made by the Leadership Team.
2. Conference representatives to the Quadrennial Assembly shall be conference elected officers who can attend. The monies designated shall be divided equally among those who attend.
3. Nominees and alternates as directors to the United Methodist Women shall be as follows:
 - a. The Conference Committee on Nominations shall be the Nominating body.
 - b. Names of nominees and alternates shall be published in the Conference Newsletter for distribution to and notification of the membership 30 days prior to Annual Meeting
 - c. Nominations shall be presented to the Annual Meeting for election. Nominations may be made from the floor of Annual Meeting, with consent of the nominee.
4. Procedures for nominating delegates and alternates to the jurisdiction quadrennial meeting of United Methodist Women shall be as follows:
 - a. The Conference Leadership Team shall be the nominating body.
 - b. Names of nominees shall be published in the Conference Newsletter for distribution to and notification of the membership 30 days prior to Annual Meeting. Nominations shall be presented to the Annual Meeting for election.
 - c. Nominations may be made from the floor of the Annual Meeting.

X. Amending, Deleting or Adding Standing Rules

1. Standing Rules may be amended, or new Standing Rules adopted by majority vote at any Annual Meeting of the Conference organization. Such changes shall be approved by the Executive Committee and published in the Conference Newsletter thirty (30) days prior to the Annual Meeting.

